

Folder Organization

Play+ Application Folder Structure Guide 1. Philosophy: An Architecture That Breathes ■

The structure of our application is a direct reflection of our design philosophy. A clean, predictable, and scalable folder structure is essential for building applications that are a pleasure to maintain. It reduces cognitive load, streamlines collaboration, and ensures every developer knows exactly where to find what they need and where to put new code. This guide defines the official, opinionated folder structure for all Play+ applications, based on the actual implementation of the play-angular-seed project. Core Principles ■

Centralized System Layer: All core Play+ helpers are initialized and exported from a top-level /system directory. All core files are prefixed with play. to create a clear visual distinction. Centralized Configuration: All overridable config files for the Play+ helpers are housed under /config and follow the play.*.config.json convention. Separation of Concerns: Clear boundaries are drawn between features, UI components, configurations, utilities, and foundational system services. Co-located Testing: Each test file lives alongside the file it tests, encouraging maintenance and discoverability. 2. Angular Folder Structure

(Implemented) ■ This structure reflects the actual implementation of the play-angular-seed project, optimized for Angular applications built using Angular CLI with comprehensive Play+ integration.

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play-angular-seed/
  └── .angular/ # Angular CLI cache and build artifacts
  └── .github/ # CI/CD workflows (pre-configured)
  └── .husky/ # Pre-commit hooks (linting, testing)
  └── .vscode/ # VS Code workspace settings
  └── public/ # Static assets (favicon.ico)
  └── reports/ # (GIT-IGNORED) Outputs from tests and audits
    └── linting-report/ # ESLint reports and HTML generation
    └── generate-lint-report.js
  └── index.html
  └── performance/ # Lighthouse performance reports
    └── generate-lighthouse-report.js
  └── state-management-report.html
  └── state-management-report.json
  └── config/
    ├── play.a11y.config.json
    ├── play.api.config.json
    ├── play.cache.config.json
    ├── play.error.config.json
    ├── play.feature.config.json
    ├── play.guard.config.json
    ├── play.log.config.json
    ├── play.perf.config.json
    ├── play.performance.config.json
    └── play.security.config.json
  └── eslint-rules/ # Custom ESLint rules
    └── play-state-rules.js
  └── scripts/ # Build and utility scripts
    └── playtest-gen.js # Test generation utilities
  └── state-analysis.js
  └── system/ # Centralized Play+ framework layer
    └── api/ # API integration layer
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api.proxy.ts # HTTP proxy and request handling ■ ■ ■■■ api.routes.ts # API route  
definitions ■ ■ ■■■ api.service.ts # Core API service ■ ■■■■ cache/ # Caching system ■  
■ ■■■■ cache.service.ts ■ ■■■■ error/ # Error handling system ■ ■ ■■■■ error.service.ts  
■ ■■■■ log/ # Logging system ■ ■ ■■■■ log.service.ts ■ ■■■■ index.ts # Main system  
exports ■ ■■■■ play.a11y.ts # Accessibility helper ■ ■■■■ play.a11y.service.ts # Angular  
service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.cache.ts # Caching helper ■ ■■■■ play.cache.service.ts #  
Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.env.ts # Environment management ■ ■■■■  
play.env.service.ts # Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.error.ts # Error handling helper  
■ ■■■■ play.error.service.ts # Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.feature.ts # Feature  
flag helper ■ ■■■■ play.feature.service.ts # Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■  
play.guard.service.ts # Guard service ■ ■■■■ play.log.ts # Logging helper ■ ■■■■  
play.log.service.ts # Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.perf.ts # Performance helper ■  
■■■■■ play.perf.service.ts # Angular service wrapper ■ ■■■■ play.security.ts # Security  
helper ■■■■■ .editorconfig # Editor configuration ■■■■■ .eslintrc.json # ESLint configuration  
■■■■■ .gitignore # Git ignore rules ■■■■■ .prettierrc # Prettier configuration ■■■■■  
angular.json # Angular CLI configuration ■■■■■ karma.conf.js # Karma test runner  
configuration ■■■■■ package.json # Dependencies and scripts ■■■■■ tsconfig.app.json #  
TypeScript app configuration ■■■■■ tsconfig.json # TypeScript base configuration ■■■■■  
tsconfig.spec.json # TypeScript test configuration ■■■■■ src/ ■■■■■ app/ ■ ■■■■  
components/ # Shared, presentational UI components ■ ■■■■ core/ # Core logic and  
singleton services ■ ■ ■■■■ services/ ■ ■ ■■■■ auth.interceptor.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
global-error-handler.ts ■ ■■■■ directives/ # Custom Angular directives ■ ■ ■■■■  
accessibility.directive.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ feature-flag.directive.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
performance.directive.ts ■ ■■■■ features/ # Feature Modules (auth, etc.) ■ ■ ■■■■ auth/  
■ ■ ■■■■ login/ ■ ■■■■ guards/ # Route guards ■ ■ ■■■■ auth.guard.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
play-feature.guard.ts ■ ■■■■ lib/ # Shared utility functions ■ ■ ■■■■ utils.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
middleware/ ■ ■■■■ pipes/ # Custom Angular pipes ■ ■ ■■■■ accessibility.pipe.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
■■■■■ feature-flag.pipe.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ performance.pipe.ts ■ ■■■■ services/ # Application  
services ■ ■ ■■■■ api.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ auth.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ config.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
■■■■■ index.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ playerror.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ playa11y.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
playcache.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ playfeature.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ playperf.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■  
■■■■■ product.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ user.service.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ testing/ # Testing utilities ■ ■ ■■■■  
■■■■■ index.ts ■ ■ ■■■■ play-testing.utils.ts ■ ■■■■ types/ # Shared interfaces, enums ■  
■ ■■■■■ index.ts ■ ■■■■ app.component.html ■ ■■■■■ app.component.scss ■ ■■■■■
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app.component.spec.ts ■■■■■ app.component.ts ■■■■■ app.config.server.ts ■■■■■
app.config.ts ■■■■■ app.routes.server.ts ■■■■■ app.routes.ts ■■■■■ assets/ ■■■■■
environments/ ■■■■■ styles/ # Design tokens and global styling ■■■■■ themes/ ■■■■■
styles.scss ■■■■■ types/ # Global TypeScript types ■■■■■ optional-modules.d.ts ■■■■■
index.html ■■■■■ main.server.ts ■■■■■ main.ts ■■■■■ server.ts

4. Key Directory Explanations

- Directory Purpose & Guidelines docs/ Comprehensive project documentation including README files for each Play+ helper system (accessibility, caching, error handling, etc.). config/ User-overridable Play+ config files. Uses consistent play.*.config.json naming for clarity. Includes configurations for all Play+ systems. components/ Pure presentational components (UI-only, no business logic). Examples: Button , ProductSearch , UserList . These are generic and reusable across features. features/ Feature-sliced architecture. Each folder represents a feature (e.g., auth/). Encapsulates business logic, views, and state for that domain. directives/ Custom Angular directives that extend HTML functionality. Examples: accessibility.directive.ts , feature-flag.directive.ts . pipes/ Custom Angular pipes for data transformation. Examples: accessibility.pipe.ts , performance.pipe.ts . guards/ Route guards for navigation control. Examples: auth.guard.ts , play-feature.guard.ts . services/ Application-specific services that integrate with Play+ systems. Examples: auth.service.ts , product.service.ts . core/ Core logic and singleton services. Includes global error handlers and interceptors. lib/ Shared utility functions—formatters, validators, math utilities, etc. system/ Core Play+ system files. Houses reusable helpers (e.g., play.error.ts) and adapters (e.g., api.service.ts). Do not place app logic here. types/ Shared TypeScript interfaces, enums, and models used across multiple layers. middleware/ Guard functions, HTTP interceptors, authorization logic, etc. reports/ Git-ignored outputs from audits (e.g., Lighthouse), code coverage, linting reports, etc. styles/ Theming and global design tokens. Includes themes/ folder for modular theme files. testing/ Testing utilities and helpers specific to the application. scripts/ Build and utility scripts for development workflow automation.

5. Play+ System Integration

- System Layer (/system) ■ The system layer contains all core Play+ helpers and services:
 - API Integration : api.proxy.ts , api.routes.ts , api.service.ts
 - Caching : play.cache.ts , play.cache.service.ts
 - Error Handling : play.error.ts , play.error.service.ts
 - Feature Flags : play.feature.ts , play.feature.service.ts
 - Logging : play.log.ts , play.log.service.ts
 - Performance : play.perf.ts , play.perf.service.ts
 - Accessibility : play.a11y.ts , play.a11y.service.ts
 - Security : play.security.ts , play.guard.service.ts
 - Environment : play.env.ts , play.env.service.ts
- Configuration Layer (/config) ■ All Play+

systems have corresponding configuration files:

- play.a11y.config.json - Accessibility settings
- play.api.config.json - API configuration
- play.cache.config.json - Caching behavior
- play.error.config.json - Error handling rules
- play.feature.config.json - Feature flag settings
- play.guard.config.json - Route guard configuration
- play.log.config.json - Logging preferences
- play.perf.config.json - Performance monitoring
- play.performance.config.json - Performance budgets
- play.security.config.json - Security policies
- Application Integration ■

The application layer integrates with Play+ systems through: Services :

Application-specific services in /src/app/services/ Directives : Custom directives in /src/app/directives/ Pipes : Data transformation pipes in /src/app/pipes/ Guards : Route protection in /src/app/guards/ Core : Global handlers and interceptors in /src/app/core/ 6.

Test Strategy ■ Play+ projects follow a test co-location strategy. This means that each test file lives directly alongside the file it tests. `src/app/` ■■■ `components/` ■ ■■■ `button/` ■

button.component.ts button.component.spec.ts

button.component.scss services/auth.service.ts auth.service.spec.ts app.component.ts app.component.spec.ts Testing Infrastructure ■ The project includes comprehensive testing setup: Karma/Jasmine : Angular testing framework Test Scripts : playtest , playtest:watch , playtest:gen Coverage : Code coverage reporting Testing Utils : /src/app/testing/ for shared testing utilities Benefits: ■ Encourages test creation during development Makes test discovery intuitive Keeps test logic scoped and relevant Provides comprehensive coverage reporting 7. Build and Development Scripts ■

The project includes comprehensive npm scripts for development workflow: Testing

Scripts ┌ playtest - Run tests with coverage playtest:watch - Run tests in watch mode
playtest:gen - Generate test files Linting Scripts ┌ playlint - Run ESLint playlint:fix - Fix

ESLint issues playlint:report:html - Generate HTML lint report Performance Scripts

perf:monitor - Bundle analysis perf:lighthouse - Lighthouse performance audit

perf:lighthouse:html - HTML performance report perf:budget - Performance budget
checking Formatting Scripts ■ format - Format code with Prettier format:check - Check
code formatting Report Coverage ■ coverage-report - Coverage listing reports coverage-report

Serve performance reports ■ Development Workflow ■ Pre-commit Hooks ■ Husky

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Pre-commit hooks for linting and testing ESLint : Code quality enforcement Prettier : Code formatting consistency Code Quality ■ ESLint : Comprehensive linting rules Custom Rules : eslint-rules/play-state-rules is Prettier : Consistent code formatting TypeScript : Strict type checking

checking Performance Monitoring ■ Lighthouse CI : Automated performance audits

checking Reporting ■ Linting Reports : HTML reports for code quality Performance Reports : Lighthouse performance reports Coverage Reports : Test coverage analysis Summary ■ The Play+ folder structure is designed for clarity, consistency, and maintainability. It embodies our design philosophy by drawing strong lines between app logic, reusable elements, and core system capabilities. Key Features of the Implemented Structure: ■ Centralized System Layer : All Play+ helpers in /system/ Comprehensive Configuration : All configs in /config/ Feature-Based Organization : Clear separation of concerns Testing Co-location : Tests alongside source files Documentation-First : Comprehensive docs in /docs/ Performance Monitoring : Built-in performance tooling Code Quality : Automated linting and formatting Reporting : HTML reports for all audits This guide should be treated as the canonical structure across all Play+ applications, enabling seamless onboarding, developer velocity, and architectural integrity. The structure breathes with your application, growing and adapting as your needs evolve while maintaining the core principles that make Play+ applications a joy to work with.

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play-angular-seed/
  .angular/                      # Angular CLI cache and build artifacts
  .github/                        # CI/CD workflows (pre-configured)
  .husky/                         # Pre-commit hooks (linting, testing)
  .vscode/                        # VS Code workspace settings
  public/                          # Static assets (favicon.ico)

  reports/                         # (GIT-IGNORED) Outputs from tests and audits
    linting-report/                # ESLint reports and HTML generation
    generate-lint-report.js
    index.html
    performance/                  # Lighthouse performance reports
    generate-lighthouse-report.js
    state-management-report.html
    state-management-report.json

  config/                          # Play+ helper configurations
    play.ally.config.json
    play.api.config.json
    play.cache.config.json
    play.error.config.json
    play.feature.config.json
    play.guard.config.json
    play.log.config.json
    play.perf.config.json
    play.performance.config.json
    play.security.config.json

  eslint-rules/                   # Custom ESLint rules
  play-state-rules.js

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    scripts/                      # Build and utility scripts
    playtest-gen.js               # Test generation utilities
    state-analysis.js

    system/                      # Centralized Play+ framework layer
    api/                         # API integration layer
    api.proxy.ts                 # HTTP proxy and request handling
    api.routes.ts                # API route definitions
    api.service.ts               # Core API service
    cache/                       # Caching system
    cache.service.ts             # Error handling system
    error/                       # Logging system
    log/                         # Main system exports
    log.service.ts               # Accessibility helper
    play.ally.ts                 # Angular service wrapper
    play.cache.ts                # Caching helper
    play.cache.service.ts        # Environment management
    play.env.ts                  # Angular service wrapper
    play.error.ts                # Error handling helper
    play.error.service.ts        # Feature flag helper
    play.feature.ts              # Guard service
    play.log.ts                  # Logging helper
    play.log.service.ts          # Angular service wrapper
    play.perf.ts                 # Performance helper
    play.perf.service.ts         # Angular service wrapper
    play.security.ts             # Security helper

    .editorconfig                # Editor configuration
    .eslintrc.json               # ESLint configuration
    .gitignore                   # Git ignore rules
    .prettierrc                  # Prettier configuration
    angular.json                 # Angular CLI configuration
    karma.conf.js                # Karma test runner configuration
    package.json                 # Dependencies and scripts
    tsconfig.app.json            # TypeScript app configuration
    tsconfig.json                # TypeScript base configuration
    tsconfig.spec.json           # TypeScript test configuration

    src/
      app/
        components/              # Shared, presentational UI components
        core/                     # Core logic and singleton services
        services/
        auth.interceptor.ts
        global-error-handler.ts
        directives/               # Custom Angular directives

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    └─── accessibility.directive.ts
    └─── feature-flag.directive.ts
    └─── performance.directive.ts
    └─── features/          # Feature Modules (auth, etc.)
        └─── auth/
            └─── login/
        └─── guards/          # Route guards
            └─── auth.guard.ts
            └─── play-feature.guard.ts
        └─── lib/             # Shared utility functions
            └─── utils.ts
        └─── middleware/
            └─── pipes/          # Custom Angular pipes
                └─── accessibility.pipe.ts
                └─── feature-flag.pipe.ts
                └─── performance.pipe.ts
        └─── services/         # Application services
            └─── api.service.ts
            └─── auth.service.ts
            └─── config.service.ts
            └─── index.ts
            └─── playerror.service.ts
            └─── playally.service.ts
            └─── playcache.service.ts
            └─── playfeature.service.ts
            └─── playperf.service.ts
            └─── product.service.ts
            └─── user.service.ts
        └─── testing/          # Testing utilities
            └─── index.ts
            └─── play-testing.utils.ts
        └─── types/            # Shared interfaces, enums
            └─── index.ts
        └─── app.component.html
        └─── app.component.scss
        └─── app.component.spec.ts
        └─── app.component.ts
        └─── app.config.server.ts
        └─── app.config.ts
        └─── app.routes.server.ts
        └─── app.routes.ts
    └─── assets/
    └─── environments/
    └─── styles/           # Design tokens and global styling
        └─── themes/
        └─── styles.scss
    └─── types/            # Global TypeScript types
        └─── optional-modules.d.ts
    └─── index.html
    └─── main.server.ts
    └─── main.ts
    └─── server.ts
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src/app/  
  components/  
    button/  
      button.component.ts  
      button.component.spec.ts  
      button.component.scss  
  services/  
    auth.service.ts  
    auth.service.spec.ts  
  app.component.ts  
    app.component.spec.ts
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